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1. Wiper blade for cleaning a windshield, in particular, a curved windshield of a vehicle with a frame with at least two claws (5) to hold and guide a rubber-like wiper element (6), where the frame has at least one claw bow (4) with a claw (5) on at least one end of the bow and the claw bow (4) can be connected at a distance (D) from the claw (5) by means of a pivot (15) to a wiper arm (1) or is connected to an additional bow (2, 3) on the frame, where the claw (5) has at the claw base (8) a bearing surface (8a) which presses on the upper side of the wiper element (6) when the windshield wiper is operating, which surface is delimited in the longitudinal direction of the frame by an outer edge (11a) and an inner edge (11b) and has a maximum length (L), and where two claw sidewalls (9) which turn into claw fingers (10, 13, 14) extend from the claw base (8) toward the windshield to be wiped running along the opposite longitudinal sides of the wiper element (6) and where the claw fingers capture the rear body (6a) forming part of the wiper element (6) from below or engage longitudinal side grooves in the rear body (6), where the claw fingers (10, 13, 14) are bounded in the longitudinal direction of the bow are each/both delimited by an outer edge (12a) and an inner edge (12b), characterized in that the claw fingers (10) of at least one claw (5) on the windshield wiper (2) are offset in the longitudinal direction in relation to the contact surface (8a) toward the pivot (15) of the claw bow (4) in such a way that the outer edges (12a) of the claw feet (10) are located within an area which extends from inclusive of half of the maximum length (L) of the contact surface (8a) as far as the distance between the inner edge (11b) of the contact surface (8a) and the pivot (15) of the claw bow (4).

2. Wiper blade in accordance with claim 1, where between the inner edge (11b) of the contact surface (8a) and the outer edges (12a) of the claw fingers (10, 13, 14) a gap d is present with d equal to or less than zero.

3. Wiper blade in accordance with claim 1 or 2, where in a side view of the wiper blade the two claw fingers (10) are aligned with each other or where the distance d in the case of the two claw fingers (10) is the same.

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4. Wiper blade in accordance with claim 1 or 2, where the claw finger (13) is offset in the longitudinal direction in relation to the claw finger (14) or where the distance d1 of one claw finger (13) is different from the distance d2 of the other claw finger (14).

5. Wiper blade in accordance with claim 4, where the wiper element (6) is curved in plan view and where the distance d1 of one claw finger (13) on the side which lies on the outside of the wiper element curvature is less than the distance d2 on the other claw side (14) which lies on the inside of the wiper element curvature.

6. Wiper blade in accordance with claim 5, where the distances d1 and d2 are dependent on the degree of curvature of the wiper element (6) in plan view.

7. Wiper blade in accordance with one of the preceding claims, where the side of the claw base (8) facing the wiper element (6) is curved in relation to the claw fingers (10, 13, 14) and/or the claw fingers (10, 13, 14) have a convex curve in relation to the claw base (8).

8. Wiper blade in accordance with one of the preceding claims, where at least one claw (5) on the claw bow (4) is a windshield wiper end claw.

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